

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: SUGITA, Nobuaki

Serial No.: 09/528,986

Filed: March 20, 2000



Group Art Unit: 1745

Examiner: M. Ruthkosky

FOR: SEALED BATTERY WITH LESS ELECTROLYTE LEAKAGE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

July 10, 2002

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2002 for three months from April 18, 2002, to July 18, 2002.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$920.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a Large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. Two copies of this paper are enclosed herewith.

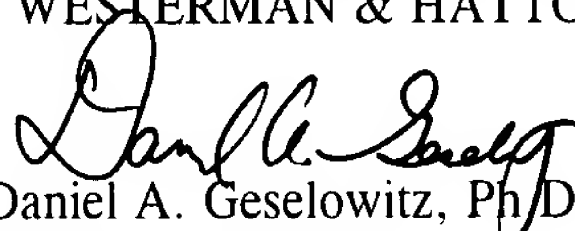
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